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1. PRIME MINISTER PINDLING ANNOUNCED ON JUNE 29 HIS NEW CABINET WHICH WAS SWORN IN THAT SAME DAY BY ACTING GOVERNOR GENERAL CASH. THE THIRTEEN MEMBER CABINET INCLUDES:
LYNDEN O. PINDLING - PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS (ALSO DEFENSE)
ARTHUR D. HANNA - DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FINANCE
CLEMENT T. MAYNARD - MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION
LIVINGSTON N. COAKLEY - MINISTER OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE
SIR CLIFFORD DARLING - MINISTER OF LABOR AND NATIONAL INSURANCE
A. LOFTUS ROKER - MINISTER OF WORKS AND UTILITIES
DARRELL E. ROLLE - MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS
PAUL L. ADDERLEY - MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS AND ATTORNEY GENERAL
ALFRED T. MAYCOCK - MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT
KENDALL W. NOTTAGE - MINISTER OF YOUTH, SPORTS AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
PHILIP M. BETHEL - MINISTER OF TRANSPORT AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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PERRY G. CHRISTIE - MINISTER OF HEALTH

2. ALL MEMBERS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NOTTAGE, BETHEL AND CHRISTIE, ARE HOLDOVERS FROM THE LAST CABINET. ALL, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF NOTTAGE (WHO FORMERLY REPRESENTED GRAND BAHAMA IN THE LAST HOUSE AND WAS DEFEATED ON JULY 19 BY AN FNM CANDIDATE) ARE MEMBERS OF THE NEW HOUSE WITH NOTTAGE

HAVING BEEN APPOINTED AS MAJORITY LEADER IN THE SENATE. THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH IS THE ONLY NEWLY CREATED MINISTRY AND WORKS AND UTILITIES AND HEALTH - FORMERLY HELD BY ROKER HAS BEEN SEPARATED. SMITH, WHO WAS FORMERLY MINISTER OF TRANSPORT, SUCCEEDS RETIRING ANTHONY ROBERTS.

3. IT IS WIDELY FELT HERE THAT THIS CABINET IS ONLY INTERIM IN NATURE AND THAT CONSIDERABLY MORE CHANGES WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN MID WINTER. MOST OBSERVERS FEEL THAT BY KEEPING THE SAME FACES - AT LEAST FOR THE PRESENT - PINDLING HOPES THAT THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE ABLE TO CATCH UP ON THE BACKLOG OF WORK OCCASIONED BY THE RECENT ELECTION, AND GET THROUGH THIS FALL'S BUDGETARY PROCESS WITHOUT SERIOUS DELAY OR DISRUPTION. SPECULATION CONTINUES THAT ADDERLEY WILL BE MOVED TO ANOTHER MINISTRY TO MAKE WAY FOR PINDLING, TO TAKE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE EXPECTED THIS WEEK ON THE MAKEUP OF THE APPOINTED SENATE AS WELL AS DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS. RUMOR HAS IT THAT FORMER MINISTER ROBERTS WILL REPLACE RETIRING HIGH COMMISSIONER IN LONDON, BRAYNEN. AMBASSADOR JOHNSON HAS TOLD ME THAT HE WILL BE RETURNING TO WASHINGTON IN MID-AUGUST AND WILL STAY ON UNTIL JANUARY AT WHICH TIME HE WILL PROBABLY RETIRE TO THE PRACTICE OF LAW. HIS DUTIES WILL THEN MOST LIKELY BE DIVIDED BETWEEN TWO INDIVIDUALS - A FULL TIME AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON AND ONE IN NEW YORK.
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5. THE NEW HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBERSHIP IS NOW COMPLETE WITH THE PLP HOLDING 30 SEATS, THE BDP SIX SEATS AND THE FNM TWO SEATS. THE MARSH HARBOUR CONSTITUENCY WAS WON AUTOMATICALLY BY BDP MICHAEL LIGHTBOURN WHEN THE PLP CANDIDATE THERE FAILED TO FILE A PETITION FOR AN ELECTION COUNT HEARING WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED TEN-DAY PERIOD. AUTOMATICALLY BY BDP MICHAEL LIGHTBOURN WHEN THE PLP CANDIDATE THERE FAILED TO FILE A PETITION FOR AN ELECTION COUNT HEARING WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED TEN-DAY PERIOD. (OBSERVERS IN ABACO HAVE EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT ACCOUNT -HAD IT BEEN HELD - WOULD HAVE PRODUCED THE SAME RESULT AND THAT THE PLP SAW NO VALID REASON TO GO THROUGH THE MOTION.)
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